AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (currently amended): A transaction card system comprising:

a portable electronic device; and

a foldable transaction card interconnected with the portable electronic device.

Claim 2 (original): The transaction card system of claim 1 wherein the portable electronic device is a mobile telephone.

Claim 3 (canceled).

Claim 4 (original): The transaction card system of claim 1 wherein the transaction card is removable from the portable electronic device.

Claim 5 (original): The transaction card system of claim 1 wherein the transaction card is disposed within a housing, wherein the housing is interconnected with the portable electronic device.

Claim 6 (canceled).

Claim 7 (currently amended): The transaction card system of claim 6 5 wherein the foldable transaction card comprises a first section and a second section wherein a hinge is disposed between the first and second sections.

Claim 8 (canceled).

Claim 9 (original): The transaction card system of claim 5 wherein the transaction card is removably disposed within the housing.

Claim 10 (original): The transaction card system of claim 7 wherein at least the first section of the transaction card is attached to the housing.

Claim 11 (canceled).

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Claim 12 (canceled).

Claim 13 (original): The transaction card system of claim 5 wherein the housing comprises an attaching means and the transaction card is attached to the housing via the attaching means.

Claim 14 (original): The transaction card system of claim 13 wherein the attaching means comprises a track, wherein the transaction card is disposed within the track.

Claim 15 (original): The transaction card system of claim 5 wherein the housing comprises an opening means for opening the housing to access the transaction card disposed therein.

Claim 16 (canceled).

Claim 17 (original): The transaction card system of claim 7 wherein the second section of the transaction card comprises an electronic storage means for storing information on the transaction card that is readable with an electronic storage means reader.

Claim 18 (original): The transaction card system of claim 5 wherein the housing is removable from the portable electronic device.

Claim 19 (original): The transaction card system of claim 5 wherein the transaction card is removable from the housing and the housing is removable from the portable electronic device.

Claim 20 (currently amended): The transaction card system of claim 1 wherein the transaction card has at least one dimension smaller than a traditional transaction card when the transaction card is in an unfolded state.

Claim 21 (new): A transaction card system comprising:

a portable electronic device;

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a housing comprising a hinge for opening and closing said housing wherein the housing is interconnected with the portable electronic device; and

a foldable transaction card disposed within the housing wherein the foldable transaction card comprises a first section and a second section and a hinge disposed between the first and second sections;

wherein the housing surrounds the transaction card when the transaction card is in a folded state.

Claim 22 (new): The transaction card system of claim 21 wherein the housing comprises a first section and a second section wherein the hinge is disposed between the first and second sections.

Claim 23 (new): The transaction card system of claim 22 wherein the first section of the transaction card is attached to the first section of the housing.

Claim 24 (new): A transaction card system comprising:

a portable electronic device;

a housing comprising a hinge for opening and closing said housing interconnected with the portable electronic device; and

a foldable transaction card disposed within the housing wherein the foldable transaction card comprises a first section and a second section and a hinge disposed between the first and second sections;

wherein the first section of the transaction card is attached to the housing and the second section unfolds outside the housing when the housing is opened.